Mackinac Bridge February Traffic Report

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Robert J. Sweeney, Executive Secretary of the Mackinac Bridge Authority, reported today that 226,199 vehicles crossed the Mackinac Bridge during the month of February. This represents a 5.2 percent decrease when compared to the 238,647 crossings during February 2002. Fare revenue for the month was down 3.7 percent compared to last year, going from \$604,214 to \$581,708. Commercial traffic for the month of February was up 1.4 percent. Truck crossings were up 1.6 percent and bus crossings were down 2.3 percent.

Traffic for the first two months of 2003 is running 1.7 percent behind last year's pace; 456,535 vehicles versus 464,435 in 2002. Fare revenue in 2003 totals \$1,182,981 compared to \$1,181,152 last year, an increase of 0.2 percent. Commercial traffic for the first two months of 2003 is up 0.7 percent over the same period of last year.